SUBJECT No. 36.

Careful handling of fruit baskets.

Mr. N. Nagappaiya, Hassan District Board.

Summary of Representation.—In the railway stations of Bangalore and Arsikere, the railway people carelessly handle the baskets containing fruits. This may be put a stop to.

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SUBJECT No. 37.

Increasing the proportion of elected members in minor Municipalities.

Mr. T. G. Nagappa, Turuvekere Sub-Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—The proportion of elected members in minor municipalities is one-third and nominated members two-thirds. As this is not conducive to the efficient working of the municipality, it is prayed that the proportion of elected members may be doubled.

SUBJECT No. 38.

Modification of the Rules relating to the Election of the Presidents and the Vice-Presidents of the City Municipal Councils.

Messrs. H. V. Chendrasekharayya, R. Gopalaswami Iyer, B. Abdur Rahmon, H. Krishnappa, Bangalore City Municipality; Ramachandra Rao Scindia and T. Nanjappa, Mysore Chamber of Commerce, Bangalore.

Summary of Representation.—It is requested that the Rules relating to the election of the Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the City Municipal Councils may be modified.

SUBJECT No. 39.

Direct election of members to District Boards.

Mr. G. Sanjeeviah, Kurubara Sangha, Bangalore.

Summary of Representation.—The election of members to the District Boards must be direct from the rate payers and the present system of indirect election from the Taluk Boards should be discontinued.

SUBJECT No. 40.

Nomination of non-official Presidents to Taluk Boards.

Mr. K. T. Seshaiya, Belur Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—Men of sufficient education and status in life may as a first step be nominated as Presidents of the Taluk Boards, as this step will lead to the material reduction of work of the Amildars whose powers may be increased so that the number of revenue sub-divisions may be reduced.

SUBJECT No. 41.

Empowering the Presidents of the Local Boards and Municipalities to acquire properties

Summary of Representation.—It is prayed that the Presidents of District Boards and Municipalities may be invested with the powers of a Land Acquisition Officer, so as to enable them to acquire properties and award compensation, with a view to bring to speedy disposal, cases occurring within their respective jurisdictions.

under the Land Acquisition Regulation.

Mr. G. Girmaji Rao Kolar Taluk.

Summary of Representation—(*a*) It is requested that fixed annual grants for capital works may be given to all municipalities with a population of less than 10,000 or with an income less than Rs. 10,000 per annum, as it is being given to cities.

(*b*) A sum of four to five thousand rupees may be allotted from State Funds every year for the improvement of district headquarter towns.

SUBJECT No. 42.

(*a*) Fixed grants to municipalities.

(*b*) Allotment of State Funds for the improvement of district headquarter towns.

Messrs. (*a*) B. Srinivasa Iyengar, R. Subba Rao, Anekal Taluk; and H. Gubbiah, Anekal Municipality; (*b*) C. Srinivasa Rao, Kadur District Board.

SUBJECT No. 43.

Reduction in the percentage of members of a District Board to give consent for the levy of the Education Cess.

Messrs. D. S. Mallappa and Chikkathimmaiya, Tiptur Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—The conhent of 75 per cent of the members now prescribed by tde rules as a condition precedent to the levy of the E ucation Cess may be amended and 50 per cent substituedin its places.

SUBJECT No. 44.

Revival of the levy of Mohatarfa tax in municipalities.

Messrs. Gubbi Konaraiya, K. Naranappa, Hole-Narsipur Taluk and Bale Venkatasamaiya, Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Summary of Representation.—The levy of professional tax in lieu of mohatarfa has not in any way improved the financial position of the municipalities. On the other hand, the petty traders who are illiterate are not in a position to maintain regular accounts and are put to great hardship as they are made to pay the tax on the sum estimated by the authorities. It is prayed that the levy of mohatarfa tax may be revived.

SUBJECT No. 45.

Charges for surveying minor municipal towns to be borne by the Government.

Mr. Bindu Madhavachar, Kankanhalli Municipality.

Summary of Representation.—Minor municipalities are now required to bear the cost of surveying the town. As most of the municipalities are in a very poor condition and unable to bear the expenditure, it is requested that the Government may be pleased to bear such charges.

SUBJECT No. 46.

Collection of revenue in Village Panchayets.

Mr. K. Channabasappa Gowda, Shikarpur Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—The collection work in Village Panchayet areas is very unsatisfactory. Shanbhogs and patels of revenue villages refuse to undertake this work, since the commission given to them is very small and there is no provision in the rules to compel them to take up this work. As no other suitable agency is forthcoming in villages to undertake this collection